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## CARMEL MAN CHARGED WITH TAX EVASION

## PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that AZEEM U. MEO, age 54, Carmel, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for Tax Evasion, following an investigation by the Internal Revenue Service.

The indictment alleges that MEO evaded his taxes by failing to file tax returns for years 1999, 2000, and 2001 notwithstanding that he had taxable income for those years totaling approximately \$288,700 and owed taxes on that income in the approximate amount of \$61,900.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Sharon M. Jackson, who is prosecuting the case for the government, MEO faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 15 years and a maximum possible fine of \$750,000 per count. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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